

FORM 6 (ND/SD MISS. DEC. 2016)

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

Miss. State Conf. NAACP, et al. Plaintiff

v.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:22-cv-734-DPJ-HSO-LHS

State Bd. of Election Comm'rs, et al.  Defendant

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION PRO HAC VICE

(A) Name:	Sophia Lin Lakin		
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The following information is optional:

Have you had a prior or continuing representation in other matters of one or more of the clients you propose to represent, and is there a relationship between those other matter(s) and the proceeding for which you seek admission?

Do you have any special experience, expertise, or other factor that you believe makes it particularly desirable that you be permitted to represent the client(s) you propose to represent in this case?

(C) I am admitted to practice in the:

\_\_\_\_\_ State of New York  
 \_\_\_\_\_ District of Columbia

and I am currently in good standing with that Court. A certificate to that effect, issued by the appropriate licensing authority within ninety days of the date of this Application, is enclosed; the physical address, telephone number and website/email address for that admitting Court are:

New York Supreme Court Appellate Division - First Department  
27 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10010-2201  
(212) 340-0400  
[www.nycourts.gov/courts/ad1/](http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/ad1/)

All other courts before which I have been admitted to practice:

Jurisdiction	Period of Admission
U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin	May 11, 2015 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, First Circuit	Feb. 24, 2025 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Third Circuit	Nov. 24, 2020 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit	Apr. 28, 2016 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Fifth Circuit	May 22, 2017 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit	Apr. 6, 2017 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Seventh Circuit	Jul. 13, 2018 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit	Nov. 4, 2016 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit	Aug. 19, 2024 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Tenth Circuit	May 4, 2016 - Present
U.S. Court of Appeals, Eleventh Circuit	May 17, 2017 - Present
U.S. Supreme Court	June 12, 2017 - Present

(D) Have you been denied admission pro hac vice in this state?

Yes  No

Have you had admission pro hac vice revoked in this state?

Yes  No

Has Applicant been formally disciplined or sanctioned by any court in this state in the last five years?

Yes  No

If the answer was "yes," describe, as to each such proceeding, the nature of the allegations, the name of the person or authority bringing such proceedings; the dates the proceedings were initiated and finally concluded; the style of the proceedings; and the findings made and actions taken in connection with those proceedings:

(E) Has any formal, written disciplinary proceeding ever been brought against you by a disciplinary authority in any other jurisdiction within the last five years?

Yes  No

If the answer was “yes,” describe, as to each such proceeding, the nature of the allegations; the name of the person or authority bringing such proceedings; the date the proceedings were initiated and finally concluded; the style of the proceedings; and the findings made and actions taken in connection with those proceedings.

Yes      No

- (F) Have you been formally held in contempt or otherwise sanctioned by any court in a written order in the last five years for disobeying its rules or orders?

If the answer was “yes,” describe, as to each such order, the nature of the allegations, the name of the court before which such proceedings were conducted; the date of the contempt order or sanction, the caption of the proceedings, and the substances of the court’s rulings (a copy of the written order or transcript of the oral rulings must be attached to the application).

- (G) Please identify each proceeding in which you have filed an application to proceed pro hac vice in this state within the preceding two years, as follows:

Name and Address of Court	Date of Application	Outcome of Application
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U.S. District Court, Northern District of Mississippi 911 Jackson Avenue East Oxford, MS 38655	June 9, 2022	Approved
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U.S. District Court, Southern District of Mississippi Thad Cochran United States Courthouse 501 E. Court Street Suite 2.500 Jackson, MS 39201	June 21, 2023	Approved
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U.S. District Court, Southern District of Mississippi Address listed above	February 22, 2024	Approved
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- (H) Please identify each case in which you have appeared as counsel pro hac vice in this state within the immediately preceding twelve months, are presently appearing as counsel pro hac vice, or have pending applications for admission to appear pro hac vice, as follows:

Name and Address of Court	Style of Case
U.S. District Court, Northern District of Mississippi 911 Jackson Avenue East Oxford, MS 38655	White v. State Board of Election Commissioners 4:22-cv-62
U.S. District Court, Southern District of Mississippi Thad Cochran United States Courthouse 501 E. Court Street Suite 2.500 Jackson, MS 39201	Disability Rights MS v. Fitch 3:23-cv-350  Republican National Committee v. Wetzel 1:24-cv-25

Yes      No

- (I) Have you read and become familiar with all the LOCAL UNIFORM CIVIL RULES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURTS FOR THE NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN DISTRICTS OF MISSISSIPPI?

Have you read and become familiar with the MISSISSIPPI RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT?

- (J) Please provide the following information about the resident attorney who has been associated for this case:

Name and Bar Number    Joshua Tom (Miss. Bar No. 105392)

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(K) The undersigned resident attorney certifies that he/she agrees to the association with Applicant in this matter and to the appearance as attorney of record with Applicant.



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Resident Attorney

I certify that the information provided in this Application is true and correct.

03/13/2025

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Date



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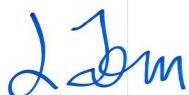
Applicant's Handwritten Signature

Unless exempted by Local Rule 83.1(d)(5), the application fee established by this Court must be enclosed with this Application.

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned Resident Attorney certifies that a copy of this Application for Admission Pro Hac Vice has been mailed or otherwise served on this date on all parties who have appeared in this case.

This the 27th day of March, 2025.



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Resident Attorney